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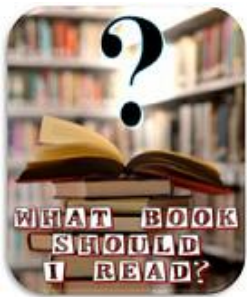
We could all use an extra hour for reading!

Here's where I post book reviews, talk about upcoming books, discuss TV/movies based on books, and share info about giveaways and reading challenges.

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Currently Reading

[Paradise Flawed by Daniel Lance Wright](#)

[Explorer Alpha-X by LM Preston](#)

[Dracula \(Rare Text of 1901\) by Bram Stoker](#)

THIS SITE HAS MOVED!!!

Posted on **February 10, 2010** by taraSG

The new site is officially up and running!!

Be sure to head over and check it out (and update your links and readers)!!

www.25hourbooks.com

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Flashlight Worthy

Posted on **January 27, 2010** by taraSG

Have you heard of [Flashlight Worthy](#)? I can't believe I had never come across it before. It's a website full of handpicked book lists on hundreds of topics. Since my TBR list is sooo short I better add to it.... riiiiiiight....

[\(read rest of post here\)](#)

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Move With Me Giveaway!!

Posted on **January 26, 2010** by taraSG

25 Hour Books is moving!!

It will still be the same old 25 Hour Books, but now it is hosted on it's own at www.25hourbooks.com! So head over the [new site](#), update your readers and links then enter the [Move With Me Giveaway](#) to win the *Soulless* Prize Pack!!



Tattoo Tuesday Posts!



Recommend a Book!!



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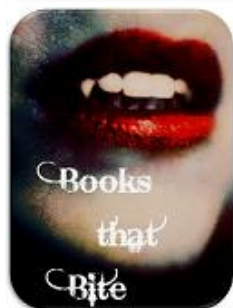
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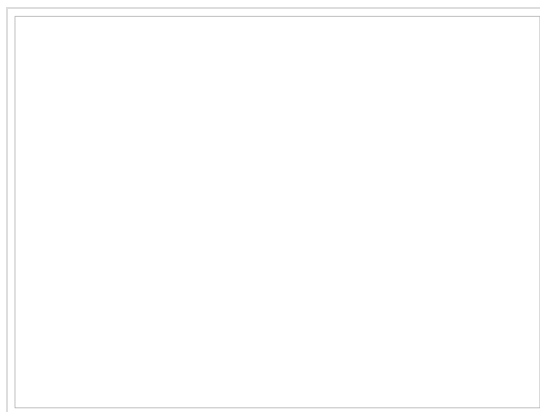
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[Tattoo Tuesday {15} Brand Yourself a Librarian!](#)

Posted on **January 26, 2010** by taraSG



Do you have a literary tattoo? I'd love to feature it!

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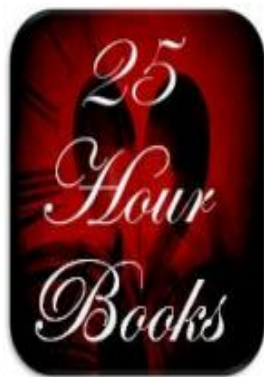
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Just [send me an email](#) with a picture and story behind it.

Blogs Participating in Tattoo Tuesday:

[Padfoot & Prongs @ Good Books Inc](#)

I like to browse Flickr for tattoos when I'm mindlessly watching TV and imagine my surprise when I came across a library tattoo! I commented asking if I could feature it and they said yes and gave me a link to information on the Brand Yourself a Librarian project.

[— click here to read the rest of the post —](#)

Filed under: [Tattoo Tuesday](#) | Tagged: [librarian tattoo](#), [literary tattoo](#), [tattoo](#) | [Leave a Comment »](#)

[Book Blogger Convention Fee Giveaway!!](#)

Posted on **January 25, 2010** by taraSG



Wanting to go to the 2010 Book Blogger Convention in New York, but can't afford the registration fee? [Head over here](#) and enter to win a free entry into the convention!!

Filed under: [Giveaway](#) | [Leave a Comment »](#)

[2010 Blog Improvement Project](#)

Posted on **January 22, 2010** by taraSG



Thanks to [Reading with Tequila](#) I've signed up for the 2010 Blog Improvement Project. The 2010 Blog Improvement Project is a year-long blogging challenge co-hosted by [Kim at Sophisticated Dorkiness](#) and [Jackie at Farm Lane Books Blog](#). The BIP will consist of twice-monthly activities to improve your blog. Every first and third Monday of the month there will be an activity posted on this blog that will related in some way to making your blog better. Each participant should spend the next two weeks focusing on that aspect of their blog. Possible topics include goals setting, writing better content, building community with readers, getting more readers, and blog layout and design.

If you choose to participate in this project, there is no obligation to participate in every challenge, and you can customize each challenge so it makes sense for your particular blog and goals. Participate when it makes sense for you.

[There's still time to sign-up so head over here and check it out!!](#)

Filed under: [2010 BIP](#) | Tagged: [Blog Improvement Project](#) | [1 Comment »](#)

[Reading with Tequila's 300 Follower Giveaway!!](#)

Posted on **January 21, 2010** by taraSG

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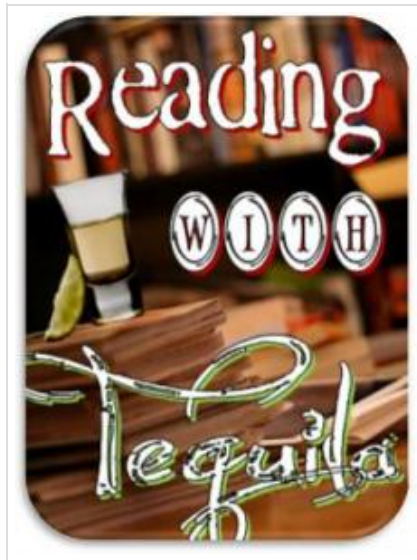
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to enter her [HUGE 300 Follower Giveaway!!](#)



**20 Books to Chose From
3 Winners**

1st winner = 3 books
2nd winner = 2 books
3rd winner = 1 book

But That's Not All

350 followers will add another winner = 1 book
400 followers adds another
450 followers another
500 followers and another

For a Total of 7 Winners

**Did I Mention This Giveaway is International?
Giveaway Ends 11:59pm EST on February 18th**

The Books

From Dead to Worse by Charlaine Harris
Hunting Ground by Patricia Briggs
White Witch, Black Curse by Kim Harrison
Three Days to Dead by Kelly Meding
Born of Fire by Sherrilyn Kenyon
Soulless by Gail Carrier
Kitty's House of Horrors by Carrie Vaughn
Fade Out by Rachel Caine
Darkly Dreaming Dexter by Jeff Lindsay
Plum Spooky by Janet Evanovich
Covet by J.R. Ward
Nice Girls Don't Live Forever by Molly Harper
Street Game by Christine Feehan
Heart of Darkness by Gena Showalter
Ashes of Midnight by Lara Adrian
Desire Unchained by Larissa lone
The Choice by Nicholas Sparks
Swallowing Darkness by Laurell K. Hamilton
7th Heaven by James Patterson
Bitten by Cupid by Lynsay Sands

The Rules

Fill out the form below to enter
Must be a Google Connect follower to enter
Leave any extra entries completed after filling out the form in the comments and they
will be included

All winning entries will be verified

Winners will be emailed and have 72 hours to respond

Extra Entries

- +5 Old followers (before 1/18)
- +1 New followers
- +5 Blog about this giveaway
- +3 Tweet about this giveaway
- +2 Put my badge on your blog
- +2 Become a Facebook Fan
- +1 Add me to your blogroll
- +1 Follow me on Twitter [@Tequila Reader](#)
and
- +10 Be one of the top ten commenters when the contest closes

Any comments not relevant to the posts will be deleted.

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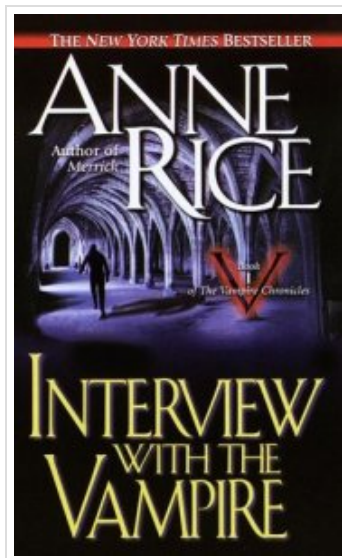
[What I'm Reading Next & Amazon Gift Card Winner!](#)

Posted on **January 21, 2010** by taraSG

Thank you so much to everyone who helped pick what I should read next!!

The book with the most votes was

[Interview with a Vampire by Anne Rice](#) with 51% of the votes.



And the winner of the \$5 Amazon gift card is

[Kristen!!!](#)

(I've already sent your gift card via email)

Be sure to check back soon for the next What Should I Read?

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[Who Am I Stalking? {2} Ooh Books!](#)

Posted on **January 20, 2010** by taraSG





This feature isn't nearly as creepy as it sounds... at least I hope not.

Here is where I shine the spotlight on a fellow book blogger
that has earned a spot in my GoogleReader.

This week I'm featuring Cara at [Ooh Books!](#)

I came across Cara's book blog when I was just starting 25 Hour Books. Not long after she contacted me about making a button for her weekly poetry posts, [FreeVerse](#). I try to participate in FreeVerse as often as I can and have also stolen her approach to [Friday Firsts](#). She changed the name to Opening Passages and shares the beginning of a short story that you can read for free online. She writes amazing book reviews from all different genres. I love that she always includes whether reading the book was worth her time and why. She has an MD and hopes to work for a literary agency or publishing house. **Edit: She is now planning on being an author!! I'm so excited to see what she comes up with!**

So how did she make it into my GoogleReader and how has she stayed there? I love that she reviews books from all genres. I've come across many books that have now been added to my TBR pile. She also writes fantastic author interviews. Add that to her FreeVerse and Opening Passages and you have a must-read blog!

My Favorite Posts

[FreeVerse: The Vampire's Reflection](#)

I know it's so shocking that I liked this one... It really is a great poem with beautiful analogies.

[In Which You Get a Glimpse of My Life and a Cocktail](#)

This post helped me feel like I wasn't so alone. I'm also a college graduate (granted I don't have an MD) that isn't really interested in going into a career that fits with their degree. You also learn how to make a cocktail!

[Review: Fire by Kristin Cashore](#)

A really, really great review of one of the best YA books I've read recently.

[Friday Firsts: The Regime of Austerity](#)

I LOVED this short story. Thank you again for finding it and sharing it!!

Mini-Interview

1. Why did you start a book blog?

I decided I wanted to be a literary scout or editor, but I knew no one would ever give me an internship at a literary agency or publishing house with a biology degree and an MD. Who'd believe me when I told them I was passionate about books and loved to read? So I started the blog as proof, proof that I love books and proof of how quickly I read. Hopefully it will pay off. As soon as I'm able to support myself as a bartender, I'm moving to NYC and applying for internships.

2. If you could have dinner with any author (dead or alive) who would it be?

The old answer was Dean Koontz, actually. I noticed that in his later books, he really seemed to believe in absolute good and absolute evil. I wanted to sit down and talk to him about his worldview. I mentioned that at my interview at Barnes & Noble. A patron heard me and told me that Koontz had converted to Catholicism. Weird, huh? A horror author converts to Catholicism.

Now, I just want to hand out with the peeps at the next Fantasy Convention. It's all authors and cocktail parties.

one's demise is not very interesting.

from my bed I watch 3 birds through the east window:

one coal black, one dark brown, the

other yellow.

as night falls I watch the red lights on the bridge blink on and off.

I am stretched out in bed with the covers up to my chin.

I have no idea who won at the racetrack today.

I must go back into the hospital tomorrow.

why me?

why not?

[Be sure to check out my post on Ooh Books!](#)

[and my mini-interview with Cara here!!](#)

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